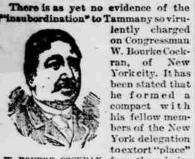


What Tammany icon Will Attempt to Do In Congress.

ng M'Clellan's Decision-The Shepard Helr and His Doings - Miss Lulu Morris and Her Sul ors-To Transplant a Menagerie.

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to extort "place" BOURKE COCKHAN. from the administration in return for anti-silver support. It is difficult to believe that Mr. Cockran ever tried anything so silly, not to mention the fact that anything like intrigue is quite beyond Cockran. He is an orator, a gentleman and a democrat. Anybody who expects, therefore, a lively time in the house through obstructive tactics inaugurated by Mr. Cockran, of New York, will be disappointed. Never, perhaps, did a congressional delegation go to Washingon from this city more thoroughly determined to help the administration. Tammany's policy, it can be stated on the authority of Mayor Gilroy, is to repeal the silver law, to fight for tariff for revenue only, and to secure the offices for good democrats.

New York's Mayoralty. Never, perhaps, were the fatalities

incident to New York city's mayoralty more sharply brought out George B. Mc-Clellan's assertion that he does not want to be mayor. The young man is retiring into the amenities of the presidency of the board of al-

dermen, after having luxuri- GEORGE B. M'CLELLAN. ated in the municipal chief magistrate's chair owing to the absence of Mayor Gilroy. Young McClellan has just shattered the dreams of his partisans by saying that he does not like the mayorality, its duties are too ardnous and thankless, and so forth. He well knows that nearly every man elected to the office has found in it a political grave. Only the other day there was reported the death of a man who, not so many years ago, had been New York's mayor. Yet everybody forgot his name so completely that when the obituary appeared it seemed that of a nobody. Gilroy's predecessor, Grant, seems already buried in oblivion, while Hewitt and others ap-Pear to possess scant political influence The only exception that would appear to prove the rule is ex-Mayor Grace, who to-day holds many of the threads of Gotham's destiny in his

hends.

Therefore all the talk and plans so rlentiful of late upon the part of the riends and adherents of McClellan are endered nugatory by his own action

A Youthful Millionaire. If young Elliott F. Shepard is really to

be put into Uncle Sam's navy, as reported the other day, many friends of the Shepard family will be intensely astonished. Certainly there is nothing in the life and surroundings of this millionaire in his teens to warrant any such statement, and a near friend of the family says Elliott will not be made a sailor, and no one ever thought of doing so. The young man pursues his studies in a disjointed way now, owing to the holidays, but this autumn there will be work cut out for him. His education is planned on an elaborste scale. Languages, music, mathematics and art are all to be mastered. or rather studied, by this heir to a great name. His pleasures are horseback rides, boating and sports. His health is a trifle delicate and his personal appearance would not comyears and a pleasant, deft way of sayfather's good, generous qualities, but without his headstrong will and rugged obstingey. Young Shepard is surprisingly well educated, for very few of the sense that poorer people understand the term. The wealthy and socially prominent New Yorkers spend too much money in educating their children to achieve satisfactory results, but fortunately for young Elliott he has the benefit of George W. Vanderbilt's counsel and supervision. Mr. Vanderbilt has nothing of the pedagogue or pedant about him and his easy way of swinging a heavy dumbbell and handling an intricate acrist as if both were mere feathers, would fire the emulation of youth. Altogether robber he took his bow and arrow, shot no one has reason to think that Elliott at the object, and quickly retired to

naval officer. A Society Swell.

Shepard will become a United States



thority that he is to be married to Miss Lulu Morris, But there are other suitors for the young lady's hand, and Mr.

Gebhard,na teadmiss LULU MORRIS. ing candidate, finds the field against him. Whenever his suit is more than usually favored,

When Baby was sick, we gave her Casteria. When she was a Child, the cried for Castoria, When she became Miss, she clung to Custoria, she had Chi'dren, she gave them Castoria.

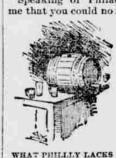
some paragraph raking up the past appears and is sent, marked, to friends of Gebhard. The dirty trick is more annoying because the perpetrator of it is careful to preserve anonymity. As a matter of fact there exists a great misapprehension in the public mind regarding Mr. Gebhard. A man of great physical strength, he is very gentle. Well educated and aristocratic, he never puts on airs and is affable with everybody. He is a temperate, quiet, good-humored fellow whatever he may have been, and possessed of great shrewdness. Whenever he invests his own money the result is highly advantageous to himself pecuniarily, and, considering his means, he is not an extravagant liver. Perhaps time alone can tell how true is the report that Gebhard will adopt a public career-that is, not necessarily seek public office, but help along such York city. It has political reforms as are needed. As an been stated that orator Gebhard, with his strong, agreeable voice and splendid address, would compact with be a success.

To Transplant a Menagerie The board of aldermen of New York cannot seriously mean to buy out the

Zoological gardens of Philadelphia. Some city fathers think it can be done, and argue that it would be a splendid thing, since the city of Philadelphia owns one of the finest menageries in existence One New York alderman makes the surprising Philadelphia's

A QUESTION. "Zoo" does not pay, and that it is pro-posed to introduce beer and music into it. But as Philadelphia, he adds, is too moral a place to permit that, New York should buy out the garden's inmates and take them to Central park. This unique project, he says, is quite feasible. A special train would cost very little, and New York could send over its experienced keepers and transfer the animals in no time. It would certainly be one of the oddest train loads of passengers that ever journeyed between the two cities. It is highly unlikely, however, that the scheme will be carried out. From a purely superficial acquaintance with Philadelphia, I should judge that that historie city would never consent to the bargain.

Philaderphia on Sunday. Speaking of Philadelphia reminds me that you could no more buy a drink



of beer there on Sunday than you could fly. Not long ago a Philadelphian in vited some Nev Yorkers over to the Quaker City for Sunday. When the guests had assembled it

transpired that ON SUNDAY. there was no liquor in the house. He and a New Yorker went out with a valise and for two hours it is the solemn truth that they vainly endeavored to purchase something drinkable other than Schuvlkill water. There are places it seems in Philadelphia where liquor is surreptitiously vended, but there is a system of free masonry connected with them, not knowing which you are not sold to. "Speak easies" is the highly captivating Philadelphia name for these establishments. Well, after a vain hunt the Philadelphian and the New Yorker returned to the thirsty guests. The only thing to do was for all hands to take a train for New York, which they did, Philadelphian and all, and everybody could then get drink and to spare.
DAVID WECHSLER.

This Frog Weighed a Ton. The labyrinthodon, a huge creature resembling a toad or frog, and which lived in the earlier periods of our planet's history, has recently been found in a surprising state of preservation in the marl beds of Huezelweitz, Hungary. All species of this gigantic frog are now extinct and are known to the naturalists only through the investigations of the geologists, who have often found parts or entire fossils of the monster in strata of the triussic portion of the mesozoic period. Southwick mentions in a three-line mand much attention were it not for a entry in his "Quizzism and Key," unquiet, gentlemanly manner beyond his der the head "A Frog as Large as an Ox," and in Barnett's "Geological ing clever things. The boy promises Epochs" it is considered in a chapter to grow into a clever man, with all his on "Huge Frog-Like Creatures of the Mesozotic Age." The specimen un-earthed in the Hungarian marl bed is entire, with the exception of the left DR. T. FELIX GOURAUD'S ORIEN fore-arm and the lower jaw. The New York's upper ten are educated in skull measures eighteen inches between the eve sockets and weighs exclusive of the missing under jaw, three hundred and twelve pounds. The bones which have been discovered up to date (and there is still hopes of finding the missing parts), with the adhering matrix, weigh eighteen hundred and sixty pounds, almost a ton.—St. Louis Republic.

A Turk's Narrow Escape. Schampeddin, the moliah, observed a dark figure prowling in his garden by moonlight. Thinking it was a

On the morrow great was his astoni. iment at finding that he had transfixed his own craftan, which his wife had hung out in the garden to dry. He knelt down to pray, stood up again, put his hands to his head, and then, folding them devoutly over his breast, he once more prostrated himself, kissed

the ground, and cried out: "Praised be Allah and his prophet! How fortunate that I was not wearing the craftan at the time the deed was perpetrated, else the arrow would have pierced me through and I should now be a dead man!"-Phare du Bosphore.

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"A great invention has been made by Dr.
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the story had nothing to do with poli-tics. Being well stuck to, the name

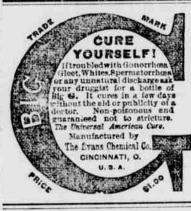
became at last pretty well fixed, and

Mr. Guilford was for many years well

known in the political field as Old



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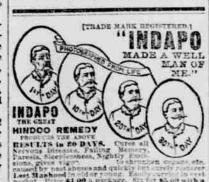


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and made an entry of some kind.

"Nowhere!" repeated Bully. "Ain't

"Anywhere! Here, that won't do for

water." Bully laughed at his own poor

pockets and pitch 'em into that basket,'

and accordingly, in order to aggravate

me, put an additional question-viz:

"Are you a good hand at picking

"Well, that's all right. You'll have

cial unions, notably Melton Mowbray

and Northampton, the same uncleanly

As we had left our clothes done up in his corpse.

"collection of holes with rags around

kind of cleanliness prevails), and scap

a good spell of it to-morrow."

you a-going back to ther same place?"

Where did you sleep last night?"

"Where are you going to?"

"Have yer got any money?"

"Nowhere."

No answer.

"Anywhere."

Bully wrote it down.

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less wretches who take refuge in the easual wards of workhouses have a rather good time of it at the expense of the rate payers. Nothing could be further removed from fact. Some unions and their officials treat "casuals" better than do others, but "bad is the best," and, as a rule, London unions rank worse than country ones, St. Giles being the very worst of all, for the shopkeepers who constitute the board of guardians-not of the poor, but of the rates-in that parish impose upon casuals a task of stone breaking which no able-bodied man, no matter how powerful or skillful-and there is skill or "knack" in stone breaking, as in other things-could possibly perform in the time allotted, says the Pall Mall Gazette. Hence, as failure to perform the task means being charged at How street as a "refractory panper," and as magistrates never, or hardly ever, believe aught the accused nal" says, a night's lodging in the Macklin street, Drury Lane, "Bastille," usually means a month's hard labor in Pentonville prison to follow. The casual ward of the parish of St. Ursula is not far from a main thoroughfare and is not open until eight p. m. On the occasion when fate caused me to seek its shelter I had about thirty companions in misery-all ragged, all dirty and all down at heel. We were hustled into a large room, which had, of course, that harsh and chilling aspect common to all workhouses. The "labor master"—they used to be called "tramp masters"—who had admitted us took his seat at a table and commenced to take our names, etc. This was the way in which he went

Now, then, No. 1, come on, if you are a-coming." The man nearest the bully crawled forward, hat in hand and body bent forward, the very picture of abjectness.

"What's your name-if you're got "Timothy Snooks."

"Fine name that. How old do you call yourself?" "Forty, please, sir."
"I don't please. What are yer?" "Nothing."

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them," supposed to be a night shirt, when he left the "bath" over night.) Quickly we dressed and then marched out into the yard. Some of the men were selected as cleaners, others as stone breakers and others as oakum pickers. I was among the last. Each man was handed a bundle of short spun yarn almost as fine as floss silk. me. You must say where you're going, even if it's only to make a hole in the There was a time when such a task would have seemed to me impossible. But practice and experience, if they do wit. Snooks muttered something and not make perfect, at least teach one even to pick onkum, and by the aid of aged to achieve my task in the course

"Then take everything out of yer pointing to one close by. And so went ounces of bread and one and a quarter to commend it to other nations. ounces of moldy cheese; for supper, At last came my turn. Bully, who the same as for breakfast. Then we was evidently not a bad judge of men, were marched off to "bed" (?). At six at once discovered that I did not bea. m. we were turned out into the of that member in a full-grown man. long to the habitual tramp brigade; streets-breakfastless.

> The Chinese have no governmental postal system, and letters are transported by means of so-called "letter-These are somewhat like our shops."

express business, as packages are also Now came the food. A regular sent, and both letters and packages pauper, or inmate, entered, carrying are insured and registered, and charges a wooden tray upon which were slices are in proportion to the distance to be There are said to be nearly of bread, and each casual was ordered carried. to take one slice. This was our sup- 200 of these letter-shops in Shanghai per. Having caten it, we were marched alone, which send out employes to into a shed and were told to undress, work up custom. Foreign letters are Then each man had to walk across a conveyed from China to other countries, courtyard and plunge into a bath of by the postal system of the latter, conwater. The one supply of water did suls being considered as postmasters for the whole crowd (at some provin- for their own countries.

If a man commits a murder in Tunkind of cleanliness prevails), and soap gora none of the natives will defile there was not. Next we were marched their hands or weapons by killing him. into the dormitory, which is simply a He is supposed to be haunted by the brick-floored shed like a barn, along the sides of which were ranged rows and kills himself, but as a matter of of what looked like shallow coffins, fact the priests capture and strangle but which I, from previous experience him unknown to the rest of the comgained at the Salvation Army salvage munity. The thongs with which the

bundles in the bath shed, it may be imagined how we shivered that winter six in the morning a bell rang
the tramp master entered. "Now.
"he roared out. "out of it, all of
Tumble out! No skulking here,
up your mattresses and put your At six in the morning a bell rang and the tramp master entered. "Now. then," he roured out, "out of it, all of

wharf at Battersea, knew to be sleep-ing bunks without bottoms except the are then burnt before the image of Kali

floor of bricks. In each of these was a and the ashes crammed into the dead

straw palliasse and one rug or blanket. man's mouth, by this means purifying

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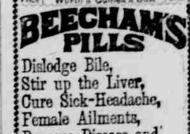
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Foot and Fathom.

The "foot" is named from the length Some say it was so called from the length of the foot of a certain English king, but it is believed to have been a standard of measurement among the ancient Egyptians. The cubit is from the Latin cubitus, an elbow, and is the distance from the elbow to the end of the middle finger. Fathom is from the Aryan fat, to extend, and denotes the distance from tip to tip of the fingers when the arms of an average-sized man



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